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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2015

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News, Reminders, and Events

Remember, the **Light is on for You Reconciliation Opportunity** is this **Wednesday, March 25** and April 1 at 7 p.m.

Recuerde , **la Luz está encendida para ti Reconciliación de Oportunidades es el miércoles 25 de marzo** y 01 de abril a las 7 p.m.

The **125th Anniversary Celebration of the St. Joseph Catholic Community** is around the corner. On **SUNDAY, APRIL 19**, the celebration begins with mass at 9:30am, followed by an historical presentation, food, and refreshments.

Por favor marquen sus calendarios y un plan para celebrar el Aniversario 125 de la Diócesis de Dallas y San José Comunidad católica el domingo, 19 de abril La celebración comienza con misa a las 9:30 de la mañana , seguido de una presentación histórica , comida y refrescos.

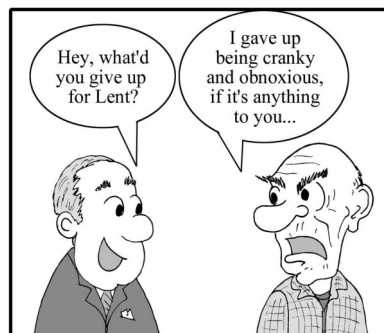
There will be **no CCD classes today**. Classes will resume Palm Sunday, March 29. **No habrá clases de catecismo en la actualidad. Las clases se reanudarán el Domingo de Ramos , 29 de marzo.**

Chrism Mass will be held at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe at 5:30 PM on March 31st 2015 Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Misa Crismal se celebrará en la Catedral Santuario de la Virgen de Guadalupe a las 5:30 pm el 31 de marzo de 2015 se anima a todos a asistir .

St. Joseph Parish is starting a rosary group beginning this Thursday, March 26th before the 8am Mass. Please join us. If you have questions regarding this event contact Lynn Bowman at 903-455-4423

Parroquia de San José está empezando un grupo rosario a partir de este Jueves, 26 de marzo antes del 08 a.m. Misa . Por favor , únase a nosotros . Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre este evento contacto Lynn Bowman al 903-455-4423



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TODAY'S MASS MUSIC

Opening: #408 Christ Before Us
Preparation: #683 Give Me Jesus
Communion: #517 Unless a Grain of Wheat
Closing: #644 Stand By Me

Saturday March 21 5:30 p.m. Mass <i>The Roberts Family by the Salisbury Family</i>	Sunday March 22 9:30 a.m. Mass NO CCD Classes	Monday March 23 No Mass	Tuesday March 24 6:30 p.m. Mass ✠ Kyle Neece by Sue Mitchell	Wednesday March 25 6:30 p.m. Mass ✠ Jennifer Brancheau by Bernice Brancheau The Light is on for You 7 p.m. CSO meets after Mass	Thursday March 26 8 a.m. Mass ✠ Don Trelc by Mary & Bill Trelc RCIA meets at 7 p.m.	Friday March 27 8 a.m. Mass Francis Brancheau II by Bernice Brancheau Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m.	Saturday March 28 5:30 p.m. Mass
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The usual stipend for a Mass is \$5.00.

Pastor's Corner by Fr. Marcus Chidozie _____

During these final weeks of Lent, we are invited to empty ourselves, die to ourselves and in doing so, become Christ-like so that our brothers and sisters would enjoy life to the fullest. The more serious side of Lenten discipline is that it's about more than self-control—it's about finding aspects of yourself that are less than Christ-like and letting them die. The suffering and death of Christ are foremost on our minds during Lent, and we join in these mysteries by suffering, dying with Christ and being resurrected in a purified form.

Using the agrarian imagery of a seed which when planted first decomposes, before it germinates. Jesus says "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit". This change allows the plant that grows to produce fruits abundantly. Think what Jesus is referring to above is the manner of his death and how it would be beneficial to the whole humanity: his reason for becoming one of us and dying is such that we would receive fullness of life. Even more importantly, as Christians and true Disciples of Christ, we are to die to ourselves or surrender ourselves for the good of our brothers and sisters "Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me"

Giving of ourselves in the midst of our suffering and self-denial brings us closer to living like Christ, who suffered and poured himself out unconditionally on the Cross for all of us. Lent is a journey through the desert to the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, as we seek out Jesus, ask his help, join in his suffering and learn to live like him.

Our Parish Weekly Need: 2,771.60*

Las necesidades semanales de nuestra parroquia: \$2,771.60*

Last Sunday, March 15, 2015: \$3,589

Recaudado el domingo pasado: \$3,589

Monthly Mortgage Payment: \$3,402.50

Pago mensual de hipoteca: \$3,402.50

Last Sunday's Building Fund: \$1400

Fondos recaudados el domingo pasado: \$1400

Building Fund March Total: \$2,778

Total de fondos en marcha: \$2,778

Mass Attendance: 258

Cantidad de asistentes: 258

*What it takes to function not including the Mortgage Payment.

*Lo que se requiere para el funcionamiento de la parroquia, sin el pago mensual de la hipoteca.

LIVE OAK PROFESSIONAL CENTER



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